

# AN OPERA SINGER WHOSE VOICE SAVED HER LIFE.

# FLAMES SPARED ALAR WHERE RELICS HAD BEEN.

# COUNT BY BIRTH, BUT A TRAMP BY PREFERENCE.



Maud Roudez.

Maud Roudez, Who Sings To-night, Is a Survivor of the Mohegan.

WAS IN OVERTURNED BOAT.

Her Cries Could Be Heard Above the Roar of the Raging Waters.

Maud Roudez, who is to sing Flora Bervoise in "La Traviata" at the Metropolitan Opera House to-night is the courageous Maud Roudez who was a passenger on the Atlantic Transport liner Mohegan which sank off the Lizard on October 14.

With her was her mother, Mrs. S. L. Grandin. They got in a lifeboat, but the tackle would not work and a heavy lurch of the sinking steamship caused the boat to overturn and the women were thrown into the water under the boat.

Miss Roudez cried for help, and the knowledge of vocalism which she possessed helped her to make her calls sound above the din of confusion and reach the ears of the life savers who were on the way to the wreck.

Her mother's foot had become jammed in a thwart of the life boat, and in cutting away the cumbering woodwork the life-saver cut off the foot. Loss of blood and shock caused the death of Mrs. Grandin in a few hours.

Although Miss Roudez is an American her appearance to-night will be the first in this country.

## ADMIRAL SCHLEY'S JEWELLED SWORD.

Farragut Lodge, Royal Arcanum, to Which He Belongs, to Present Him with It.

A meeting of the Schley Testimonial Committee of the Royal Arcanum, which was organized for the purpose of presenting a jewelled sword to Rear Admiral Schley from the Farragut Lodge, of Washington, D. C., was held yesterday at No. 720 Nassau street, to choose a design for the sword. Eleven designs were submitted, the sword to be of Damascus steel, with the inscription etched on the one side and on the other etchings of scenes at the battle of Santiago. The grip will be of shark's skin, bound with gold wire, and the guard will be of eighteen karat gold, with Rear Admiral Winfield Scott Schley's name on the front in diamonds.

The scabbard will be of oxidized silver, ornamented with the past regent's jewels. Rear Admiral Schley being regent of the Farragut Lodge, and the Admiral's dolphins in eighteen karat gold.

## SAYS ALAMO WAS FULLY TESTED.

Thomas H. Barrett, Who Will Begin Investigation To-day, Tells of the Inspection.

The United States Inspectors of Steam Vessels will begin today an investigation of the bursting of the steam pipe aboard the Mallory Line steamer Alamo on Saturday night, whereby six of her crew were killed. The local inspectors are Thomas H. Barrett and Peter C. Pettie.

"The examination and tests," said Inspector Barrett, "were made by one of my assistants—Joseph Gaul. He is an expert engineer, and has been in the department about two years."

"The first day he examined the donkey engine, the next day the engines and boiler generally, and the third day he applied the hydrostatic test."

"He tested the pipe for 107 pounds, but to be on the safe side made out the paper for only 100 pounds. I visited the vessel to-day and was informed that the pipe burst with but eighty pounds. It may be that there was a flaw inside the pipe."

## DADY WILL FIGHT FOR HIS CONTRACT.

Wants to Undertake His Havana Job with Federal Protection.

Michael J. Dady, of Brooklyn, gave out a statement yesterday as to his \$15,000,000 contract for sewerage and paving the city of Havana.

He says that he has spent \$21,600 to secure the contract, and expects ample protection from the Federal Government. He will go to Washington at the opening of Congress to ascertain his standing. He says that he proposes to maintain his rights.

## THIS PARSON WILL SHOVEL SNOW.

The Rev. Madison C. Peters Offers to Aid Street Cleaning Bureau.

WILL RECRUIT A BRIGADE.

That Is, Provided Eleven Other New York Ministers Will Join Him.

Rev. Madison C. Peters, pastor of the Bloomingdale Reformed Church, is out with a proposition to create a volunteer street cleaning force to supplement the work of Commissioner McCarty, which the clergyman says needs a great deal of help.

He told a Journal reporter yesterday that he would form a company of one hundred men, consisting in part of members of his congregation, and would drill them in broom and shovel work, if eleven other pastors would undertake to organize similar companies.

Up to a late hour last night not a single clergyman had offered to start a recruiting office on the Peters plan.

The Rev. Mr. Peters declared that he is well up in the art of snow shovelling. "Many a time when a boy in Pennsylvania I shovelled snow off my father's sidewalk," said he. "It is splendid exercise, developing the muscles and lungs and giving a man an appetite like a lion. Cleanliness is next to godliness, and it would not be inappropriate for church members to get a good deal of exercise in showing Tammany how to clean the streets."

"I do not expect that any clergyman will accept my offer. They would not consider it within their province to do that kind of work. Many of them have the physical strength, but I have."

"I admit," he continued, "that I could not get one hundred snow shovellers from my congregation. Probably I should have to fill in with members of the Ninth Regiment, of which I am chaplain. That gives me an advantage over most other clergymen, who haven't any regiment to draw from."

"I organized a company we'd go right into the poorest part of town to shovel snow. That is the part that should be cleaned first, and not the show streets. If I knew of a family that would be benefited morally or in physical health by my cleaning the snow off their stoop, I would get right out for there with my little shovel."

"It is not outside a clergyman's sphere to help to lower the death rate. This present snow situation is going to hatch out a big death rate by and by."

"McCarty doesn't know anything about cleaning the streets. I propose if I have his job I would make as big a mess of it as he is doing. But I have executive ability enough to do a better job. Intelligent men and have them pile up the snow in heaps and then put it into carts."

"When Tammany was selecting a Street Cleaning Commissioner he looked for a man with the thickest kind of a skin, because it knew he would be terribly criticized and would have to stand it. I believe that dermatological investigations in the organization determined the fact that McCarty was the thickest-skinned man in it and he got the job. He doesn't seem to have any other qualification."

"I'm afraid my volunteer regiment of street cleaners go through," said Mr. Peters, sadly. "I have had no encouragement from the clergy and I'm not going to do the thing alone."

## FLATBUSH STILL FEARS BURGLARS.

Petition in Circulation for a Sub-Police Precinct at Vanderveer Park.

A petition for the establishment of a sub-police precinct in Vanderveer Park, Flatbush, will be placed in circulation this morning as the result of united action on the part of the tax payers' associations of both Flatbush and Flatlands. They believe the frequent burglaries in that section can only be prevented by not only an increased patrol service, but by having a new sub-precinct.

## Brewers to Protest Against War Tax.

A special meeting of the representatives of the brewing interests of the United States will be held in this city on Wednesday afternoon at the call of the United States Brewers' Association. Delegates from all over the country are expected to attend the session, which will be held at the Hotel Hamilton, Fifth Avenue and Park Avenue. It is intended to pass resolutions calling upon Congress to abolish the war tax on beer.



Interior of St. Agnes's Church.

## DEATH FOLLOWS DOSES OF DRUGS.

Artist Premi Followed Physician's Directions and Died.

ILL BUT A FEW HOURS.

Medicine Prepared on Order of Doctor Who Had Not Seen the Patient.

2 drachms cinchona,  
1 drachm aromatic spirits of ammonia,  
10 minims auz vomica,  
6 minims opium,  
1 ounce syrup,  
2 ounces aqua mentha viride.

After taking two doses of a medicine prescribed by a physician who had never seen the patient, Arnolda Premi, an Italian artist, died suddenly yesterday afternoon. The circumstances attending the case show that the man's death may have been due to another mistake of a drug clerk.

Premi was a painter of some repute. He was in comfortable circumstances, and lived with his wife in a well-furnished apartment house at No. 17 East Fifteenth street. He was apparently in the best of health yesterday morning, and ate a hearty breakfast. About noon he became ill, and asked his wife to call a physician. He was suffering, he said, from a bilious attack, brought on, he thought, by indigestion.

At the request of Mrs. Premi, Joseph Cassani, who lives in the same building, went to the office of Dr. Antonio Fanoni, of No. 10 West Tenth street, and asked him to attend Premi. Dr. Fanoni said he was too busy to answer the call, but said he would give Cassani a prescription for his friend if he would describe his symptoms. Cassani told the physician that Premi was suffering from an attack of biliousness, and was given a prescription, a copy of which is given above.

Cassani had the prescription filled at the drug store of A. Weilland & Co., No. 114 University place. On the bottle the clerk wrote: "Take as directed." According to the directions given Cassani by Dr. Fanoni the sick man was to take one teaspoonful three times a day.

Premi took a teaspoonful of the medicine in a cup of coffee at 1 o'clock. Two hours later he drank some of the sick man's dose and took it without anything else. In a few minutes after he had swallowed the stuff he began to writhe about the bed in great pain.

His wife ran downstairs and told Cassani, who called a policeman. An ambulance was summoned and the sick man was taken to Bellevue Hospital, where he died in a few minutes after his arrival. Dr. Barbour, the ambulance surgeon, diagnosed the case as one of narcotic poisoning.

Soon after Premi's death his wife arrived at the hospital.

Captain Hasselacker, of the East Twenty-second street police station, was notified and detailed Detectives Robinson and Smith on the case. An autopsy will be made today.

Dr. Fanoni said last night that he had written a simple prescription to cover the symptoms described by the messenger from Premi. He advised the messenger to call in another physician, as he was unable to attend the case himself, he said.

At 11 o'clock the messenger called, but no error could have been made, as the prescription was filled by two clerks, one checking the other.

No Hope for the Colon, They Say. Divers Dwyer, Buck and Thomas Cooley, employed by the Merritt-Chapman Wrecking Company on the wreck of the Spanish war ship sunk at Santiago de Cuba, returned to New York yesterday on the Ward Line Steamer. They had little to say regarding the work accomplished thus far, but they were unanimous in the opinion that the Cristobal Colon could not be saved.

## It Remained Intact While Fire Raged in St. Agnes's Church.

ALL THE RELICS SAVED.

Image of the Patron Saint in the Stained Window Also Preserved.

At the fire in the Church of St. Agnes, on East Forty-third street, early yesterday morning, the interior of the church was almost entirely destroyed, yet the high altar of St. Agnes, where the relics of the saint have reposed since they were received from Rome, escaped destruction, although the flames raged furiously around about. The relics consist of several of the bones of the saint. They were kept in a case. This case was carried from the altar to the rectory soon after the fire began, but their protective influence, it is believed by many, remained and saved the altar.

In the church is a beautiful statue of St. Agnes, and this statue, although it remained in the church throughout the conflagration, was not injured. In the centre of the great stained glass window at the front of the church is a figure of the saint, and although the window was badly shattered the figure of St. Agnes was not injured in the least.

The fire was discovered shortly after 1 a. m. yesterday and was immediately preceded by an explosion that was heard by Policeman Muldoon, who ran to the church and turned in an alarm. The theory of the police, and firemen is that leaking gas gathered in the basement and gas ignited by the fire in the furnace. No one was in the building when the explosion occurred, the janitor having gone home several hours before.

Two alarms were rung, and a number of engines were quickly on the spot, with Chief Bonner himself in charge. At 2:30 the fire seemed to be almost extinguished and one engine and the water tower were sent away. Suddenly it was discovered that the fire had mounted to the garret, and in a few moments the blaze assumed such proportions that a third alarm was sent in.

The total loss was last night estimated at considerably over \$100,000. The altar of St. Agnes, where the relics of the saint reposed, is said to be without an equal in the city, and cost over \$10,000. It is of pure white marble, beautifully polished and resting on bases of yellow Siena marble, with pillars of semi-transparent pink onyx.

## "THE MONEY IS WELL SPENT."

Opinion of the Rev. Dr. Clark Wright on Seeing Proof Sheets of Journal Xmas Number.

The Rev. Dr. Clark Wright was last night shown the advance proof sheets of the Christmas number of the New York Journal, to be issued on December 11, a section of which is to be devoted to reproductions in color of the life of the Saviour. After carefully examining the pages, he said:

"Your Christmas issue is a display of elaborate printing and excellent selection of pictures of the life of Christ. The cost of attaining the result of this remarkable number must have amounted to a great deal of money. It shows, however, that the money has been well spent in employing skilled artists and labor."

Entertainment by Miss Hallowell. Miss Alice Hallowell, known as the "Smiling Ambush" of Washington and the "Cheerful Little Invalid," whose little work, "Forget-Me-Not," has been enjoyed by many readers, will this week give an entertainment at the Windsor Hotel.

Woman Dying from Blow with Brick. Floeste Ward, a young negro woman, is at the point of death at her home, No. 97 Guinness street, Williamsburg, as the result of a blow on the head with a brick, inflicted last Monday by Louis Polk, a negro. The woman's skull is fractured. Polk has been arrested.



Rocco Dranovitch, the Blue-Blooded Tramp.

His stories of thirty-four years' foot, in all parts of the world, put to shame the tales of Gulliver, Munchausen, Jules Verne or any one else on record. But he says they are true and he will put them in a book.

## Rocco Dranovitch Says He Has "Fooled" the Globe for Years.

AFRICA AND THE ARCTICS.

His Strange Stories Put Gulliver's Mild Yarns in Deep Eclipse.

DR. WURTH'S OPINION

OF THE NEW DISCOVERY IN MEDICINE.

A Remarkably Successful Remedy for Dyspepsia, Indigestion and Stomach Troubles.

Dr. Wurth in commenting on recent discoveries in medicine said: There is none which is certain to be so valuable and far reaching in benefit as Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets, the new stomach remedy. I say far reaching, because people little realize how important a sound stomach and vigorous digestion is to every man, woman and child.

Indigestion is the starting point of consumption, heart disease, Bright's disease, diabetes, nervous prostration, liver troubles; why is this so? Simply because every nerve, muscle and tissue in our bodies is created and nourished from the food we eat. If that food is, by reason of a weak stomach, compelled to lie for hours, a sour, fermenting mass of half digested food, it poisons the blood and nervous system, creates gas which distends the stomach and bowels, causing pressure on the heart, lungs and other organs, and seriously impeding their action.

He says further, the point to direct attention is not the nerves, nor heart, nor lungs, nor kidneys, but the stomach, the first cause of all the mischief.

The remedy to use for indigestion and weak stomachs is not some cathartic, but a remedy which will digest the food, increase the flow of gastric juice, absorb the gases, and Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets will accomplish exactly this result in any case of stomach trouble, because these tablets are composed of the digestive acids, aseptic pepsin, Golden Seal and bismuth, pleasant to taste, and not being a raton medicine, can be used by any one with perfect safety. I believe Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets will cure any form of indigestion and stomach trouble except cancer of stomach.

Full size packages of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets are sold by druggists at 50 cents or by mail from F. A. Stuart & Co., Marshall, Mich. A book on stomach diseases, together with thousands of testimonials, will be sent by addressing above or call on your druggist for them.

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